

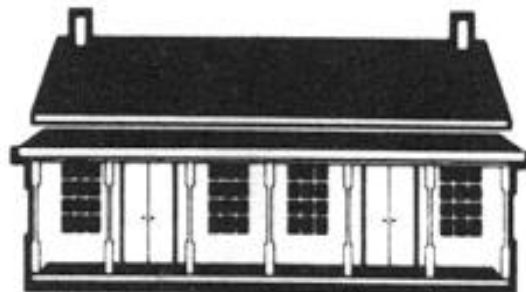
Iowa Yearly Meeting of Friends (Conservative)

140th Annual Sessions

Seventh Month 25–30, 2017

Scattergood Friends School

West Branch, Iowa



BUILDING BRIDGES

Fourth Day/Wednesday through Seventh Day/Saturday: 7:45 a.m. – **Bible Study** - Elizabeth O’Sullivan

Third Day/Tuesday: 7 p.m. **Panel on Building Bridges with Native Americans** - Christine Nobiss and Peter Clay

Fourth Day/Wednesday: 2-3:30 p.m. **Region Reports from Friends Committee on National Legislation (FCNL) & American Friends Service Committee (AFSC)**

Fourth Day/Wednesday: 3:30-5 p.m. **Building Bridges among Friends – Informal Networking & Social Time**

Fourth Day/Wednesday: 7 p.m. **Concert and Sing-along** – Tom Rawson

Fifth Day/Thursday: 2 p.m. **Music & Stories Workshop** – Tom Rawson

Fifth Day/Thursday: 7 p.m. **Intersectionality of Race & Mass Incarceration** – Jose Woss, FCNL

Sixth Day/Friday: 7 p.m. **Sanctuary to the Rescue** - Linda Rabben

Seventh Day/Saturday: 7 p.m. **Annual Talent Show** - planned by Young Friends

First Day/Sunday: 9 a.m. **Pre-Meeting - Moving Beyond Silence** – Shirley Scritchfield

PRESENTERS/DISCUSSION LEADERS

Elizabeth O’Sullivan raises organic chickens and hogs with her husband and three children in Dundas, Minnesota. She attends Laughing Waters Preparative Meeting.

Christine Nobiss is Plains Cree-Salteaoux of the George Gordon First Nation, Chair of Indigenous Iowa and founder of Little Creek Camp. **Peter Clay**, a member of Des Moines Valley Friends Meeting, made four trips to Standing Rock during 2016.

Tom Rawson is a folksinger, songwriter, storyteller and Quaker peace activist from Orcas Island, Washington. Armed with banjo and other weapons of mass delight, Rawson leads group singing at camps, festivals, churches and other gatherings.

Jose Woss is Legislative Associate for Domestic Policy at FCNL, where he leads work on mass incarceration, election integrity and police militarization. He co-chairs the Interfaith Criminal Justice Coalition, an alliance of faith groups advocating to end mass incarceration.

Linda Rabben is an anthropologist, human rights advocate and author of books including “Sanctuary and Asylum: A Social and Political History.” She attends Adelphi (MD) Friends Meeting.

Shirley Scritchfield is Clerk of Penn Valley Meeting. Trained as a sociologist, she retired in 2015, after a 40-year career as a professor and administrator at five universities.

Tentative Agenda for Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

<p>Fourth Day/Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. until noon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointments of Representatives, Caretakers, and YM Committees • Midyear Meeting Report • Interim Meeting Report • AFSC Corporation Report • Epistles from Conservative yearly meetings • Selected readings of portions of Epistles from other yearly meetings <p>Fifth Day/Thursday, 9:30 a.m. until noon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FWCC Report • Publications Committee Report • 2016 Entertainment Committee Report • Archives Committee Report • Special Needs Committee Report • Queries and selected responses <p>Sixth Day/Friday, 9:30 a.m. until noon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scattergood School and Farm Reports (Academic, Farm, Head, Financial) • Yearly Meeting Trustees Report (incl. Scattergood Foundation report) • Yearly Meeting Scattergood School Committee Report 	<p>Sixth Day/Friday, 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit Committee report • Yearly Meeting Treasurer's report • Pendle Hill Scholarship Committee report • Friends Peace Teams report • Earthcare Subcommittee report • Quaker Earthcare Witness report <p>Seventh Day/Saturday, 9:30 a.m. until noon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior Yearly Meeting report and epistle • Young Friends report and epistle • Peace and Social Concerns Committee report • Ministry and Counsel Committee report • State of the Meeting reports <p>Seventh Day/Saturday, 2:00 p.m until 5:00 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yearly Meeting Recorder's Report • Meeting for Remembrance • Representatives Report • Special Replies Committee Report • Epistles Committee Report • Nominating Committee Report • Exercise Committee Report • Closing Minute
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Find Scattergood Friends School: 1950 Delta Ave., West Branch.

From East, take I-80 to Exit 259, Go north on X40 about ½ mile. Go west (left) on F44 for 3 miles. Go ½ mile south (left) on Delta Avenue.

From West, take I-80 Exit 254 into West Branch. At 4-way stop, go east (right) on F44 for 2 miles. Go ½ mile south (right) on Delta Ave.

Map and more directions at: <http://scattergood.org/our-school/maps-and-directions>

Schedule of Events

	3 rd day Tue 7/25	4 th day Wed 7/26	5 th day Thu 7/27	6 th day Fri 7/28	7 th day Sat 7/29	1 st day Sun 7/30
7:00 – 7:20		Early Worship (Meetinghouse)				
7:15 - 8:00		Breakfast (Basement of the Main)				
7:45- 8:30		Bible Study (Meetinghouse)				
8:30- 9:30		Caretakers Representatives Peace & Social Concerns	Caretakers Representatives Peace and Social Concerns (Location TBA)			9:00 Pre-meeting, Shirley Scritchfield (Meetinghouse)
9:30		10:00 AM Meeting for Worship for Business (Meetinghouse)	Meeting for Worship with attention to Business (Meetinghouse)			10:30 Meeting for Worship (Meetinghouse)
12:00		Lunch (Basement of the Main)				
1:00 – 2:00	Committees & Interest Groups TBA (watch bulletin board in the Main)	Ministry and Counsel Peace & Social Concerns Scattergood Trustees	Ministry & Counsel Peace & Social Concerns Yearly Meeting Trustees	Ministry & Counsel Peace & Social Concerns Midyear	Ministry & Counsel Peace & Social Concerns	<i>Traveling mercies. Hope to see you next year!</i>
2:00		AFSC Midwest Region and FCNL Reports	Music & Stories Workshop with Tom Rawson	Meeting for Worship for Business	Meeting for Worship for Business	
4:00		Nominating Committee		AVP	2018 Planning	
5:15	Supper starts at 5:30 on Tuesday	Supper (Basement of the Main)				
6:00	Newcomers Meetings - Tuesday through Friday (Social Room, the Main)					
7:00	Collection	Collection	Collection	Collection	Talent Show	
8:45	Singing (Meetinghouse)					

REGISTRATION: PLEASE REGISTER by JULY 7 if possible. It is important for meal and dorm planning. Fill out Registration Form and/or Sponsor form if you will bring children. This document & registration forms online at: <http://www.iymc.org>

CHILDCARE: Childcare for preschool and younger children will be available Wed. through Sat. during the day -- upon request before July 7. **There is no guarantee of childcare after that date.**

SPECIAL NEEDS: If you have special needs for diet, mobility, vision, or hearing and wish to have assistance at Yearly Meeting, please indicate that on your registration form and let the person at the registration table know. A golf cart will be available for transportation on campus. A separate room is set aside for resting during the day.

SCENTS: Friends are reminded of our goal to make Yearly Meeting fragrance-free for the health and comfort of all. Please refrain from using colognes, perfumes and aftershave. Friends are encouraged to read the ingredients on personal care products carefully (including soaps, shampoo, deodorant, lotion, hair gels, etc.). Please check the ingredients list as well as the front label.

JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING (JYM): JYM provides activities for children entering first through eighth grade during morning, afternoon, and evening adult sessions, beginning Wednesday morning and ending with the talent show Saturday evening. Activities include crafts, games, a service project, swimming, and may include a campout. Children should wear clothes that can get dirty and shoes for walking in rough places (sneakers are fine, sandals may not be). They should bring a swimsuit, towel, sunscreen, flashlight and sleeping bag or bedroll for possible group camping Friday night (or use the bedding you bring for the dorm). They should not bring personal electronic devices. Carol Gilbert (cell: 402-740-1850) and Thomas Greenler (thomasgreenler@yahoo.com) are the coordinators. Parental participation is welcomed!

YOUNG FRIENDS: Young Friends range from those entering 9th grade this fall up to those graduating from high school this year. Activities will include worship, outdoor games, swimming, canoeing, a service project, movie and pizza night, reading epistles from other Young Friends groups, writing our own epistle, and planning an evening event for the Meeting. Comfortable clothing is a must, as well as sunscreen, bathing suits and shoes that can get wet. There is a Parent-Young Friends meeting at 9 p.m. Tuesday. Bill Deutsch is the primary contact for Young Friends (billdeutsch1@yahoo.com).

NEWCOMERS: A Newcomers Meeting is offered Tues. through Fri. in the Social Room at 6 p.m. All are welcome!

WHEN YOU ARRIVE: Check in at the registration table in the Main lobby. Sign the spiral notebook and make a nametag. If you are a first-time attender, put a blue dot on it. If you are staying on campus, find out your dorm and room number – and welcome!

LIGHTS OUT: Please do not socialize in the lobby after 9:30 p.m. The staff needs time to clean and be home by 10. Dorms are to be quiet from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.

MEALS: Meals are served in the dining room in the lower level of the Main. Breakfast is from 7:15 to 8. The noon meal is 12:15 to 1. The evening meal is 5:15 to 6, except for Tuesday night, when it is 5:30 to 6:15. Snacks are served in the dining room after evening collection. Meals include items to satisfy diet choices indicated on registration forms, but we are not able to prepare meals to meet all diet preferences. Those with exceptional needs may want to bring their own food.

CHORES: Yearly Meeting relies on volunteers for setting tables, serving, washing dishes and cookware, and supervising the game room. A sign-up sheet is in the hallway leading to the dining room. Everyone who is able is encouraged to sign up at least twice. Thank you!

NAMETAGS: If you use a plastic holder, turn it in at registration as you leave so it can be reused later.

DORMITORIES AT SCATTERGOOD: Dorm rooms are basic, with bunk beds and shared baths. Those planning to stay in dorms need to bring their own bedding, pillows and towels. We recommend bringing fans – there is no A/C. You also may want to bring a flashlight.

OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS: Other options include camping on campus (limited electrical hookup) or area motels, including Presidential Motor Inn, West Branch (319-643-2526), Days Inn (800-329-1073), or EconoLodge/Elegant Inn, West Liberty (319-627-2171).

COMPUTERS: They are available for adult use.

PLEASE BRING: If possible ...

- Copy of the 2016 Minute Book
- Water bottle or cup to avoid using disposables
- Songbooks such as "Rise Up Singing," "Friends Hymnals," and "Sacred Harp"

Important Contact #s: 319-643-7600 (Scattergood Desk), 515-720-5516 (Registration Coordinator)